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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified reissue application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please add the following claims:

- 52. A method for wiping an inner surface of a casing comprising:

providing in the casing a plug having two axially-spaced, conical wipers that engage the inner surface in a manner so that each wiper is deflected into a substantially cylindrical shape in engagement with the inner surface; and applying pressure from one end of the casing to move the plug within the casing.

The method of claim 52 wherein one of the wipers overlaps the other wiper

he method of claim 52 wherein the wiper closest to the one end of the casing is overlapped by the other wiper.

The method of claim 52 wherein as the wiper closest to the one end of the casing wears, the pressure will be applied to the other wiper.